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By: **Delegates Schisler and Eckardt**  
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Assigned to: Judiciary

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Talbot County - Chief Deputy Sheriff and Deputy Sheriffs - Employment**  
3 **Status**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Sheriff of Talbot County to appoint a chief deputy  
5 sheriff who shall serve at the pleasure of the Sheriff; prohibiting the Sheriff of  
6 Talbot County from refusing to reappoint a deputy sheriff without just cause;  
7 and generally relating to the chief deputy sheriff and deputy sheriffs in Talbot  
8 County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
11 Section 2-309(v)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

17 2-309.

18 (v) (1) The Sheriff of Talbot County shall receive a salary as set by the  
19 County Council.

20 (2) [He] THE SHERIFF may appoint, subject to the approval of the  
21 County Council, the number of deputies [he] THE SHERIFF deems necessary at the  
22 compensation fixed by the County Council prior to the appointment.

23 (3) THE SHERIFF MAY APPOINT A CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF WHO SHALL  
24 SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SHERIFF.

25 (4) THE SHERIFF MAY NOT REFUSE TO REAPPOINT A DEPUTY SHERIFF  
26 WITHOUT JUST CAUSE.

27 (5) The Sheriff's office shall be operated on a 24-hour daily basis.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2 October 1, 2001.